

REMARKS

The above-noted cancellation of claims 6-8, 13-15, 17, 18, 21-23, 27-29, 31, and 32 are respectfully submitted prior to initiation of the prosecution of this application in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.


The above-noted amendments to remaining claims 1-5, 9-12, 16, 19, 20, 24-26, 30, and 33-40 are respectfully submitted in order to conform them to all of the requirements of U.S. practice. No new matter is included in these amendments.

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that these amendments now be entered, and that prosecution on the merits of this application now be initiated. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe such action can be taken, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone applicants' attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any objections which the Examiner may have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge applicants' Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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Respectfully submitted,

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